

AMERICAN ARMIES PUSH TOWARD ELBE RIVER

Japs Stop Yank Armored Drive

By LEONARD MILLMAN
Associated Press War Editor

Tank-led Japanese infantrymen broke up an American tank attack through a mine field and in a bayonet charge recaptured a hill from American infantrymen knifing into elaborate defenses on southern Okinawa, 325 miles from Japan.

Three American tanks were lost but both tankmen and infantrymen apparently withdrew with light casualties.

Japan's new third wartime cabinet was strengthened by the recall of Shigenori Togo as foreign minister, the post he held at the time of Pearl Harbor, and naming of Kiichiro Hiranuma, a ranking elder statesman, as president of the privy council.

The greatest artillery battle of the Pacific war was in prospect today as American infantrymen on southern Okinawa Island suddenly powerful Japanese defenses backed by an unprecedented concentration of Nipponese field guns.

Strongly manned pillboxes and concrete blockhouses limited the southward push of the 24th corps to yards on this jumping off island for the final campaign against Japan, 325 miles to the north.

Elsewhere on the warfronts—on northern Okinawa, the Philippines and China—sweeping gains were reported, topped by impressive totals of Japanese dead and sunken ships.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced 6,495 more enemy dead had been counted in the Philippines, bringing Japanese losses in that campaign to 314,854.

His Monday communique reported the sinking of 13 more Japanese ships by the China coast bomber blockade which has destroyed or damaged 736,439 tons of shipping this year, including 374,767 tons in March.

Tokyo tried to match these records by claiming more than 200 American ships have been sunk or damaged since the Okinawa operation in the Ryukyus began March 23.

The total includes an imperial communique today listing 30 American warships as sunk and 19 as damaged in the air-sea battle last Friday and Saturday.

American communiques have listed six Japanese warships and three U.S. destroyers sunk. Losses on one destroyer were admittedly heavy.



Two churches (upper right center) stand out among the wreckage of other buildings in the German city of Wesel after Allied air attacks had devastated the area in preparation for the current sweeping offensive east of the Rhine.

Fifth Closes On Massa; Jap-Yank Forces In Lead

ROME, April 9 (AP)—Fifth army troops battling their way up the Italian west coast are closing in on Massa against scattered enemy resistance after capturing 3,000-foot Monte Belvedere, two miles south of the town, Allied headquarters announced today.

Crack Japanese - American infantry troops were spearheading the advance.

Elements of the 442nd regiment, composed of American - born Japanese, beat off German counterattacks northeast of Monte Belvedere and cleared out enemy pockets south of Monte Folgorito and east of the main highway leading to La Spezia.

Meanwhile tank - supported troops of the 92nd negro division stabbed forward to the village of Porta and captured Montignoso, about two miles southeast of Massa as well as Strinato to the north of Strettoia.

For the third straight day the British destroyers Marne and Look-out gave the Americans on the west coast highly effective fire support.

At the eastern end of the front Eighth army units were mopping up remaining enemy units around the southwestern fringes of the Comacchio lagoon.

Closed Shop Is Outlawed By House

AUSTIN, April 9 (AP)—By a margin of three votes the house today passed and sent to the senate a bill outlawing the closed shop.

The vote on final passage was 67 to 64. A verification of the vote was immediately asked.

The vote on final passage came after supporters of the bill mustered sufficient votes to kill a proposal to postpone consideration and another motion to kill it outright.

WISE OLD JUDGE
CHICAGO, April 9 (AP)—Judge J. M. Baude of boy's court has a sign "keep your mouth shut" facing his bench out of public view. "A good judge," he explained, "is one who listens and doesn't talk too much."

Reds Battle In Vienna; Push 15-Miles Past City

Soviet Planes Renew Attacks Over Breslau

By RICHARD KASISCHKE
LONDON, April 9 (AP)—

The flame of battle rolled over three fourths of Vienna today and the Germans said the Russians had fought into Schoenbrunn Park, site of the summer palace of the Hapsburg monarchs, and also had reached Franz Josef railway station in the northern part of the city.

In the south the Russians were fighting within a mile of the Ring, the circular street around the heart of the city, and in the north within 1 1/4 mile of the city's center. They were reported within 8 to 12 miles of closing the escape gap on the north side of the Danube.

The Germans said the Russians were attempting to storm across the eastern bank of the Danube at Nussdorf, a suburb. Moscow dispatches said it was believed the Russians, already had crossed farther out, in the vicinity of captured Klosterneuburg.

Other forces had stormed across the 325-yard-wide river east of Vienna and the two columns were driving toward a junction on the Marchfeld, the flat Vienna plain north of the river.

The eastern column, from captured Pfraam, was reported to have pushed within sight of Aspern airport, inside Vienna's city limits on the northern bank of the Danube. Already having cut the railroad leading to Brunn, Czechoslovak munitions center 65 miles north of Vienna, this column was driving for the main highway leading north and had taken it under long-range fire at some places.

Only one railway, the North Bank Line running to Prague, Czechoslovak capital 150 miles northwest, remained open and it was menaced if not cut by the force reported to have crossed the river northwest of Vienna.

West of Vienna Soviet forces who captured Neulengbach, 15 miles from the city, were reported to have advanced several miles to within sight of St. Poelten on the Vienna - Linz railway.

In East Prussia, the Germans reported, Soviet forces battled into the center of Königsberg, long besieged fortress capital of the Junkers province.

The Red air force, which made 1,400 flights over Vienna yesterday, renewed its attack today and also was heavily pounding another encircled city, industrial Breslau in Silesia.

Vandenberg Asks Frisco Preview

WASHINGTON, April 9 (AP)—Senator Vandenberg (R-Mich) wants an immediate announcement of any advance decisions reached by American delegates to the San Francisco United Nations conference.

The eight U. S. delegates went to work today on policy questions amid indications that the state department planned to delay disclosure of any agreements until a full American program is completed.

But the Michigan senator is said authoritatively to be urging that if the group reaches a decision on any revision of principles as stated in the Dumbarton Oaks preliminary peace-keeping formula it tell the world about them at once.

The San Francisco conference opens April 25.

It obviously is Vandenberg's hope that the American delegation will accept his suggestion to incorporate into the general statement of principles a provision that the proposed international organization shall work toward "establishing justice" and against any violation of Atlantic Charter terms.

Continuous publicity on the doings of the American delegation, as well as on the San Francisco conference itself, is favored in congress.

Senator Austin (R-Vt.), a foreign relations committee member, noted, however, that any decisions the U. S. delegation reaches in this week's meetings may have to be revised at the conference in the light of developments there.



MONTH'S GAINS BY ALLIES ON TWO FRONTS—Black areas represent territory taken by Allied armies on two fronts in Europe during the month of fighting since Yanks crossed the Rhine river at Remagen March 8. Arrows indicate main drives as the Allies on the western front threatened to cut off German troops in Holland, near Bremen, and drove across the Weser river toward Hannover and Berlin itself. Russians reached the Danube river northwest of Vienna in the offensive against the Austrian capital. Black line indicates sectors of fronts where there have been no changes during the month.

Nazi Submarine Yards Are Blasted By Allied Planes

Jurists' Group For Future Peace

By FLORA LEWIS

WASHINGTON, April 9 (AP)—Secretary of State Stettinius today told an international jurists group of their job is to express peace-loving peoples' determination that future international differences "be settled by peaceful methods and on a basis of justice."

The jurists, representing 38 of the United Nations governments, are meeting to complete the basic design of the Dumbarton Oaks security plan in preparation for the San Francisco conference. It is up to them to decide whether the old "permanent court of international justice" or some new agency should be made a part of the proposed organization.

The expectation is that the decision will be to continue the permanent court, which had its headquarters at The Hague, the Netherlands, with perhaps some modifications.

Sir Michael Myers of New Zealand, responding to Stettinius, cautioned that no person or nation "can reasonably expect to have his or its own way in everything. There must be a certain amount of readiness to give and take."

Diplomats expect little controversy during the conference, a preliminary to the San Francisco meeting to set up the peace-keeping league.

Agreement appears likely on recommending changes in the permanent court of international justice, formed after the last war, instead of creating a new one.

The senate twice refused to allow American membership in the court, but officials feel that the objections which kept this country out before World War II now have faded.

Most important point of difference is whether the court should have means to enforce its decisions and whether all countries should be compelled to submit their disputes.

Germans Suffer Worst Setbacks In War's Record

By HENRY B. JAMESON

LONDON, April 9 (AP)—More than 1,250 American heavy bombers and 750 fighters smashed 10 German airfields, an underground oil storage depot and a powder plant, all within a 60-mile radius of Munich, today.

RAF Lancasters escorted by Spitfires and Mustangs unloaded 11-ton and 6-ton bombs on U-boat shelters at Hamburg and attacked oil storage depots at the North Sea port.

An armada of more than 900 RAF heavy bombers blasted the Blohm-Voss submarine yards at Hamburg and the Lutzendorf synthetic oil plant near Leipzig last night while fleet Mosquitos rocked Berlin with another dose of two-ton blockbusters.

The raids followed up sweeping assaults on Germany yesterday by more than 1,950 planes of the U. S. Eighth air force, which bombed 11 targets between Berlin and Nuremberg without being challenged by the Luftwaffe.

The RAF attack on the Blohm-Voss yard last night was the Fifth heavy bomber raid on that objective within a week. The plant still employs 17,000 workers and is one of the main assembly points for the new prefabricated submarines.

The German air force suffered its worst defeats of the year during the weekend as 192 of its carefully rationed planes were "destroyed" within a space of 24 hours.

Many of the destroyed German planes were the fast jet-propelled craft but reports indicate they are being flown by inexperienced junior pilots.

The Eighth air force's losses for two days totaled 32 bombers and four fighters.

Yanks Count Nazi Gold

By EDWARD D. BALL

MERKERS, Germany, April 9 (AP)—U. S. army officers toiled in the depths of a German salt mine 2,100 feet underground today to inventory a captured hoard of gold and money which a Reichsbank official said represented Germany's entire gold reserve.

More than 4,000 bags of gold bullion—each weighing 25 pounds and worth \$14,000—already had been counted, but there still were tons of treasure yet to be inventoried.

There were indications that the final total might exceed the \$100,000,000 estimate which Dr. Werner Vieck, Reichsbank director for the Erfurt district, placed on the value of the hoard.

The inventory was begun yesterday after U. S. Third army engineers blasted a hole through the brick wall protecting the treasure.

Corridors leading to the main treasure room were lined with huge stacks of bags containing Reichsmarks and the money of various other countries, including America's dollars.

80,000 German Troops Trapped In Netherlands

By JAMES M. LONG
PARIS, April 9 (AP)—

The Allies, having exacted 500,000 casualties from the Germans in ten days, cut the last railway from western Holland today, trapping the bulk of 80,000 more Germans believed still in the Netherlands.

The American Ninth and British Second armies fought within sight of the shelled and burning north German cities of Hannover and Bremen. They were within 50 miles of the Elbe river at Hamburg and 70 of the stream at Nageburg. The Elbe is the last water barrier on the flat country leading to Berlin and flows within 50 miles of the capital.

Hannover and Bremen both were five miles from Allied infantry and tanks. An entry into both was imminent, although the Germans were fighting hard for Bremen, one of their greatest ports and shipbuilding centers.

Great and small cities and towns all over northern Germany burned mysteriously, even though Allied bombers stayed away from most. Flames were reported specifically in Hamburg, Brunswick and Luebeck. Of these, Luebeck and Brunswick had not been raided recently.

Tanks by-passed both Bremen and Hannover, hopelessly outflanking both.

Ninth army troops stormed into the streets of the great Ruhr industrial cities of Essen (660,000), home of the Krupp works; Dortmund (537,000) and Gelsenkirchen (313,000).

At least 38,600 prisoners were captured yesterday, 37,500 to Gen. Omar Bradley's four American armies in the center. Bradley's headquarters estimated German casualties at 50,000 a day for the past ten days.

To the south, the Seventh army capture of Craisheim placed the Americans within 94 miles of Munich and 170 of Hitler's mountain fastness at Berchtesgaden.

Canadians pushed eight miles northeast of Zwolle and made contact with Allied airborne troops to wrest control of the north Holland communications. The junction was established close to the rail junction of Meppel, ten miles from the Zuider Zee. There the last rail bridge was blown. The Germans exploded dikes, flooding 400 square miles.

At supreme headquarters, officers said up to 80,000 Germans of

Over Million Nazis Captured

PARIS, April 9 (AP)—Gen. Omar N. Bradley's 12th army group has captured more than a million Germans on the western front.

Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's Third army leads with 418,501. Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges' First army, two months older, has taken 405,703 and the Ninth army of Lt. Gen. William H. Simpson has bagged 162,162 for a combined total of 1,006,366.

No figure has been announced for Lt. Gen. Leonard T. Gerow's 15th army, also a part of Bradley's command which includes more than a million American troops. Another American army, the Seventh, had captured almost 200,000 German troops. It is a component of Lt. Gen. Jacob L. Devers' Sixth army group.

army group H were left in Holland.

The Germans, facing the Canadian First army on a 150-mile front from the Dutch city of Arnhem to the Ems river were split into two distinct pockets.

One pocket was west of the IJssel river including Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Utrecht and The Hague. The other screened the German naval bases of Emden and Wilhelmshaven, 39 and 35 miles from closest Allied troops.

The Ninth army at last reports—hours behind the swift pace of battle—was 128 miles from Berlin and on open flat tank country with no coherent German lines before them.

The Hell on Wheels (Second) armored division bypassed Hannover ten miles to the south and then went "out of sight" in a wedge within 20 miles of Brunswick (201,306) aimed at Magdeburg (334,358) on the beeline to Berlin.

The First army drove into Duderstadt, 140 miles southwest of Berlin.

Howard Sells Bond Issue For All-Time Record Low Locally

Howard county Monday sold its \$150,000 bond issue, floated in January, for one per cent—an all-time record low for any local issue.

In contrast to other issues which the county had outstanding, the rate was as much as six times as low as some. Previously, the lowest rate the county had received on its bonds was 3 7/8 per cent on a refunding proposition several years ago.

Successful bidder, said County James T. Brooks, was the First National Bank and Trust Co. and the R. J. Edwards & Co. Inc. of Oklahoma City. Besides bidding a flat one per cent, the joint bidders offered a premium of \$22.50, which actually brought the total a bit under one. Net interest cost to the county on the bid (the bonds are to be retired at \$15,000 per annum over a period of 10 years) will be \$8,227.50.

Second bidder was Columbia Securities. (See HOWARD, Page 6, Col. 2)

Indications On Ninth Army Front Do Not Forecast Strong Nazi Hold

By WES GALLAGHER

WITH THE U. S. NINTH ARMY IN GERMANY, East Of The Leine River, April 9 (AP)—There is no indication here that the Germans can or will organize any good defensive line between this area and Berlin.

Civilian morale and the general soldier morale appear to be in complete collapse, although certain Nazi elements are fighting with ferocity.

Prisoners have been pouring in at an unprecedented rate. The count was more than 21,000 by Sunday night.

Veteran army men expressed the Germans are incapable of putting up an organized line because they simply lack the manpower to do it.

In the last 115 miles of its forward drive the Second armored division has yet to encounter a single organized German division. The only units it has encountered have been isolated static defense troops or convalescent SS or parachute men.

The ferocity of the spirit of some of the resisting German elements, however, is shown in the story of a captured German officer who reported the mayor of Lemgo was taken to the rear and hanged by Nazis because he tried to arrange the surrender of his city. The officer said he saw the

body hanging publicly in the streets.

Civilian officials nevertheless are surrendering their towns, and sometimes have chased out German soldiers first.

The castle of the former king of Hannover is in American hands. The giant edifice, now owned by a duke and used as a museum, contained many valuable paintings and relics. It was completely undamaged.

The 702nd tank battalion under Lt. Col. John A. "Tiger" Beall of Jacksonville, Tex., was the first group to bombard nearby Hannover.

Nelson Sets New PGA Mark At 263

ATLANTA, April 9 (AP)—Byron Nelson's record of 263 for 72 holes was cited today as the greatest golf performance of all time but it won't go in the books that way.

The mark, made by the Toledo, O., precisionist in winning the \$10,000 Iron Lung Invitational here, will be listed only as a record for a 72-hole PGA tournament, says Tournament Manager Fred Corcoran.

Corcoran recalled the 264 Craig Wood, duration open title shot in the 72-hole Metropolitan Open at Bloomfield, N. J., in 1940 and termed it "a sort of dual record."

He explained: "Wood's score was the lowest for 72-holes, until yesterday, and also the lowest for an officially registered championship. The 263 of Nelson will be entered as the lowest for a 72-hole tournament played as part of a tour, while Wood's will remain as the best for a definite medal championship—a fixed event."

The Bloomfield course (Forest Hills) is 6410 yards. Par, normally 71, was lowered to 70 for the 1940 tourney. The Capital City club here is 6,155 yards. Par, normally 71, was lowered to 69 for the Iron Lung tournament.

Sliding Down The Sports Chute

with BILL

While the Big Spring Steers were chasing after the Lubbock Westerners in Odessa's track and field meet Saturday, the San Angelo Bobcats were busy doing the same thing over at Abilene.

Chasing the Eagles in the sectional meet, but coming up shy of a win with 62 points tacked up to 74 registered for the Abileneans.

Roe Hall, sensational speedster from Angelo, and H. D. Terry staged another dual-meet in yielding for high individual honors. Hall emerged with two records and 14 1-4 points to down Terry who had 13 tallies to his credit. Terry was high man in the Big Spring relays March 24.

Hall stepped the 100 in 10.2 for one new mark, while broadjumping 20 feet 9 3-8 inches. The Bobcat sprint relay team raced off that 440-yards in 45.8 seconds for a new mark, while Angelo's Eldwin Hay hopped over the 200-yard low hurdles in 25.4 seconds for a new record.

Abilene had its share of record breakers with Harrell Steele setting a fast pace to cop the mile in 4 minutes, 59 seconds. Clarence Ebberts pole vaulted 10 feet for a new mark; Bobby Lee Hill ran off the 880 in 2:11.2; Guy Daniel tied with Angelo's Robert Beck with a shot put heave of 41 feet 9 inches; and the Eagle mile relay team set a new mark of 3 minutes 50 seconds.

Times of the Abilene meet, as compared to the Odessa meet, generally show that the latter event was the better, in regard to times and distances.

Lubbock and Odessa staged a fine show in battling along for the team pennant, before the Western power proved too well distributed to be beaten.

If Abilene and Angelo could have been present it would indeed have been a fine meet, even better than it was. But everyone went home satisfied, although some times were slowed by the track.

After seeing the Lubbock team perform I can see a possibility that they may come in among the top five teams at the state meet. They ran in the same heat with Brackenridge and Thomas Jefferson of San Antonio in the Fort Worth stock show sprint relay event, and came in fourth-tenths of a second behind the No. 2 team, not getting a chance in the finals. Their time was four-tenths of a second slower than the winning time there.

Cliff Dean should, by all reports from state meets, take the pole vault with his 12 feet jump. He tied for first at Fort Worth, but after seeing him perform this corner believes he can better his mark by six inches.

All the way through, event for event, the Westerners are the most balanced and powerful team we have seen perform this year. Think it over.

SMU Leads Pack In SWC Diamond Pennant Chase

By The Associated Press
Southern Methodist's Mustangs, currently in front of the pack in the Southwest conference baseball race, make a jaunt into South Texas this week to play three games in two days.

For Texas, which also is unbeaten but has played fewer games than S.M.U., the schedule is not so strenuous. The Longhorns get Texas Christian at home.

Last week found the race opening with a couple of upsets. The first crack out of the box as S.M.U. trimmed highly-rated Rice in a double header, 3-0 and 4-3.

Texas started about as expected, the Longhorns crushing an inexperienced Texas A. and M. team, 13-0.

Rice got back home with one victory in three starts by beating Texas Christian, doing it without the benefit of an earned run. Eleven Horned Frog errors helped the Owls along as they won 11-4.

Southern Methodist winds up its schedule with Rice for the season in a game at Houston Friday. Saturday the Mustangs drop down to College Station for a double header with Texas A. and M. The Texas-SMU game also is Saturday.

Delinquent List Posted By Board

Revised list of registrants who are delinquent in reporting their addresses to the Howard county selective service board has been posted here.

Persons having any information concerning whereabouts of any of them were asked to report it to the board in the Petroleum building (phone 735) so contact may be made.

On the list are:
Pedro Hernandez Hernandez (alien), Apolonio Juarez, Marcelus Nute Brown, Simon Perez, Herbert Mill Graham, Amelio Hinojos, Josh Dawkins, Chester Leon Hall, Arthur Byron Brown, James Lee, Floyd Evans Gross, Bruce Blanchard, James Oscar Scoggins, William R. Hale, Clifton Bacon Eppler.

Pallis Petro, John Boyd Nellie, Loy Freiler Peters, George Cook, Clarence Hurd, Hugh Johnson, Estran Antonio Moun, Guadalupe Arroyo Gonzalez, Wilbels Clell Morris, Willie James Thomas, August Otto Gaskamp, William I. Walker, Marshall William Winn, John Pearl Garner.

E. Cruz, Henry Douglas, Alberto Arispe, Grady Franklin Ragdale, Gerardo Uraña Lujan, George Washington Adams, Eusebio Carreno, Almus Garland Coulter, John Walter Richey, Arthur Baxter Winslett, William Jackson Ford, Thomas Palmer Hinson.

James and George Crittenden, twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Crittenden who are ranked as able seamen in the Merchant Marine, arrived Sunday to spend a thirty-day leave visiting their parents. The twins are stationed at St. Petersburg, Fla.

Six Year Summary Of AAF Trainees

FORT WORTH, April 9 — Lt. Gen. Barton K. Yount's AAF Training Command Headquarters made public today a six-year summary of the mass production of individuals trained manpower for the army air forces, showing that training of American fliers reached a peak during 1944, following a similar 1943 peak in the training of AAF technicians.

LEGAL NOTICE
THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Tommie C. Collings, GREETING: You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 30th day of April, A. D. 1945, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, at the Court House in Big Spring, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 26 day of April, 1944. The file number of said suit being No. 5101. The names of the parties in said suit are: Georgia Collings as Plaintiff, and Tommie C. Collings as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: For grounds: Plaintiff alleges 12 months' inhabitant in Texas, 6 months' residence in Howard County. Legally married. Alleges living apart for 10 years. No children, no property. Further living together insupportable.

Issued this the 16 day of March, 1945.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Big Spring, Texas, this the 16 day of March A. D. 1945.

GEORGE C. CHOATE

Clerk District Court Howard County, Texas.

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"The Babe" Downs Betty Jameson In 72-Hole Golf Game

LOS ANGELES, April 9 (AP)—The long-hitting Babe Didrikson Zaharias, wonder girl of golf, finished four up on Betty Jameson of San Antonio, Texas, yesterday at the end of 36 holes of their 72-hole charity clash. They'll resume friendly hostilities April 28 in Betty's home town.

The Babe was simply too much for Betty, former two-time National champion. Displaying her usual power off the tees, she got away to a flying start with a two under par 34 on the first nine.

ZURITA RANKED FAVORITE
MEXICO CITY, April 9 (AP)—Champion Juan Zurita has been established a decided favorite to beat challenger Ike Williams, Trenton, in their NBA lightweight title bout in Mexico City on April 18.



Doggone it, I just had that barn painted with "Minn-soia" Red Barn paint from Cameron's.

Most Major Clubs Break Training Camps; Head To Final Exhibitions

NEW YORK, April 9 (AP)—Most major league baseball teams break up spring training camps today and head for their home parks for final exhibition games before the opening of the season next week.

Bobo Newsom, who is expected to better his 13-game win record of last year for the Philadelphia Athletics, reported at the A's Frederick, Md., camp and disclosed he had sustained another of his numerous bone fractures during the winter. He said he suffered a broken collarbone in an automobile mishap.

Boston Red Sox—Manager Joe Cronin to uncover new pitcher, Jim Wilson.
Boston Braves — Manager Bob

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VFW Officers To Be Installed

New officers of the Ray E. Fuller post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and of the auxiliary will be installed in ceremonies set for 8 p. m. Tuesday in the VFW hall at 901 Gollard.

Heading the list of officials to be inducted are Olin (Buck) Hull, as commander of the post, and his wife, Mrs. Dorothy Hull, who has been elected president of the auxiliary. Hull will succeed Jesse Thurman and Mrs. Hull will succeed Mrs. R. M. Brown. Installation officer will be Dr. C. W. Deats, former district VFW commander.

Another high spot in the meeting will be the presentation of Allied flags secured by the post, and there will be a short address by Lt. Miller. Customary refreshments will be served after the program.

Social Calendar Of Events For Week

TUESDAY
PAST MATRONS CLUB will meet in the home of Mrs. Charles Koebert at 8 p. m. for a business and social with Mrs. Minnie Michael as co-hostess.
REBEKAH LODGE will meet at 8 p. m. at the I.O.O.F. hall.
BETA SIGMA PHI will meet at the Crawford Hotel at 8 p. m.
PARISH COUNCIL AND ALTAR SOCIETY will meet at 7:45 in the Catholic church hall.
NORTH WARD P.T.A. will meet at 3:30 p. m. at the school.
WEDNESDAY
CADET WIVES CLUB will meet at 3 p. m. at the Cadet Club.
DOS POR OCHO will meet at 3 p. m. with Mrs. Clayton McCarty at 308 West 20th street.
MUSIC STUDY CLUB will meet in the home of Mrs. Omar Pitman at 3:30 p. m. for a Texas Day tea and a study of French music.
THURSDAY
ROYAL NEIGHBORS will meet at 2 p. m. at the W.O.W. hall.
FRIDAY
WOODMEN CIRCLE will meet at 8 p. m. at the W.O.W. Hall.

Initial Free Clinic To Be At N. Ward Tuesday

First of the series of free clinics for pre-school children, made available through the joint cooperation of the Parent-Teachers associations, Big Spring-Howard county health unit division, and local physicians, will be held Tuesday at 1:30 p. m. at North Ward school.

The examinations will be resumed Thursday at 3:30 p. m. at College Heights school. Friday the clinic will be at South Ward at 1:30 p. m.

Resuming next week, the clinic will be at East Ward at 1 p. m. and Central Ward at 3:30 p. m., both on Tuesday, April 17. The following day, Wednesday, the series concludes with a clinic at West Ward.

The clinics are being held to accommodate the children who will enter school next year for the first time. Mrs. J. E. Brigham, P.T. A. council president, estimated that there were some 250 of youngsters who would be eligible for the physical examinations.

She emphasized that these are to be private and thorough checks, each child being taken separately. Dr. J. E. Olean, director of the Midland-Ector-Howard county health unit, will direct the examinations, aided by a local physician and Mrs. Anne Fisher, local health unit nurse. Parents are urged to come as early as possible so as to facilitate examinations.

Johnsons Win Top Honors At U. S. O. Bridge Tournament

Two Oklahoma couples won top honors Saturday night in the third open duplicate bridge tournament held at the USO. First Lt. and Mrs. Emril Johnson of Moorland, Okla., won first place, nosing out First Lt. and Mrs. M. B. Johnson of Owasso, Okla., by one point.

Both officers are stationed at the Big Spring Bombardier school. The consolation prizes were awarded to Mrs. R. G. Booth and Mrs. L. K. Bowen. Fourteen couples competed in the bridge session which was conducted by R. L. "Jimmy" Beale, local bridge enthusiast. Participants included military personnel from the post and residents of Big Spring.

Serving at the coffee table were Mrs. J. R. Farmer, Mrs. Tot Stalcup and Mrs. Hack Wright. Pfc. Robert Gings assisted Mrs. Ann Houser in arrangements. Fourth in the series of tournaments, which are held every other Saturday night, is scheduled for April 21st.

Ration Roundup

By The Associated Press
Meats, Fats, etc. — Book four red stamps T5 through X5 good through April 28. Stamps Y5 and Z5 and A2 and D2 good through June 2; E2 and J2 good through June 30; K2 through P2 good through July 31.

Processed Food—Book four blue stamps C2 through G2 good through April 28. Stamps H2 through M2 good through June 2; N2 through S2 good through June 30; T2 through X2 good through July 31.

Sugar — Book four stamp 35 valid for five pounds through June 2. Next stamp valid May 1. Shoes — Book three airplane stamps 1, 2 and 3 valid indefinitely. OPA says no plans cancel any.

Gasoline — 15-A coupons good everywhere for four gallons each through June 21. B-6, C-6, B-7 and C-7 coupons good everywhere for five gallons each.

MEXICAN AAF OVERSEAS

MEXICO CITY, April 9 (AP)—The war department announced today that a squadron of the Mexican air force, numbering approximately 300 men, had left a Pacific port for active duty in the war zone: Mexico is the second Latin-American nation to send troops overseas. Brazilian troops now are fighting in Italy.

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Senior Play Tuesday At City Auditorium

"One Mad Night", to be given by the senior class of the Big Spring High School, will be presented Tuesday night, April 10th, at the City Auditorium at 8:30 o'clock. The prices are: adults 50c, children 25c.

The two main characters are Don Carter, played by Jack Reese, and Lucille Marcy, played by Cecelia Long. Don is a young playwright who goes to the old Cutter mansion to relax and finish his writing. Upon arrival he finds quite the opposite from the seclusion and peace he had expected to find.

Lucille is a charming girl of 19 who has been judged insane by her guardian in order to obtain her fortune. Don finds the experiences of the Cutter mansion much more interesting than writing a play.

The character of Wing, Don's Chinese valet, is played by Billy Garrison. He quotes Confucius quite frequently. Mrs. Kluck, the housekeeper, is portrayed by Norma Jones. She is a middle-aged woman with an evil face and a sourish manner. Gertrude Finch, Don's fiancée, is played by Mary Lou Watt. She is a girl of 21 and very hearty in her manner.

Mrs. T. Ashington Finch is Gertrude's mother. She is around 45 and not too intelligent. She has a very condescending manner and is played by Kathleen Little. Depression, Mrs. Finch's colored maid, is played by Jane Beale. She is extremely scary and excitable.

These characteristics offer many laughs from the audience. Dannie Salitto "Zack Gray," an escaped convict wanted for murder, uses the Cutter mansion for a hide-out and has everybody terrified.

For a thrill, a chill and a laugh, you are invited to see "One Mad Night."

Mrs. R. F. Dickson Gives Bunko Party

Spring flowers decorated the home of Mrs. Richard F. Dickson when she entertained the wives of the medical officers from the hospital group of the Big Spring Bombardier school Friday afternoon in her home.

Bunko was played during the evening with prizes awarded to Mrs. Wayne Klein, high; Mrs. Ralph C. Rockwood, second high; and Mrs. Hal Runyan, consolation. Refreshments were served to around 15 medical officers wives and two special guests, Mrs. Ralph Rockwood and Mrs. Will P. Edwards.

Baptist Girls Class Tours Local Churches
Mrs. J. H. Eastam was hostess Saturday afternoon when the twelve-year-old girls class of the First Baptist church met at the church for a monthly tour and business meeting. The tour included visits at the First Methodist church, the Assembly of God church, the Salvation Army, the Church of God and the West Side Baptist church.

Following the tour the group ate a picnic lunch at the Baptist church and had a business session with Wanda Lou Petty, secretary, reading the minutes. Reta Fay Wright adjourned the meeting with a prayer.

Those attending were Oupha Preston, Elva Thames, Wanda Lou Petty, Reta Fay Wright, Lela Mae Hobbs and Mrs. Eastam. Wanda Lou Taylor was present as a guest.

Red Cross Kits Here

Mrs. G. G. Sawtelle, executive secretary of the Red Cross in Big Spring, announced Monday that a shipment of kits had been received at the Red Cross headquarters to be made and given to the soldiers at the port of embarkation.



"CALM DOWN," SAID JERRY WAYNE TO MILTON BERLE. "I know we're going to have a swell show tonight!" Guest-starring with Milton on the Borden show is Anna Mary Dickey, Metropolitan Opera singer. Along with the sweet music of Jeff Alexander's orchestra, it's a half-hour's enjoyment! TUNE IN TONIGHT... KBST 9:30 P. M.

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Repair Now Is Staggs Advice

The time to prepare for hot now while repair part stocks are comparatively complete. Having recently reopened his business after selling out in preparation for service, in the Navy early in 1944, Staggs explained to his customers that his stocks are new and of the standard lines of merchandise and automotive parts. Five well-trained men at Staggs will be ready and capable of repairing all parts of the automobile and keep it in good running order. A spring tune-up is their specialty. Boring bars, motor cleaners, connecting rod machines and lathe brake drums are included in Charles Staggs line of parts which, though hard to get, have been obtained. The auto repair parts supplies are difficult to get but if they are to be had, Staggs has them. The Staggs people live up to their slogan in serving automobile owners in Big Spring and the Big Spring area when they say, "We have it or we can get it."

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Mrs. Nabors urges you to make a "standing" date every week at Nabors' Beauty Shop, located at 1701 Gregg street in Big Spring.

Post PT Staff Takes Streamlined Course

Three members of the physical training staff at AAFBS were in San Antonio this week to take the streamlined PT course being offered at SAACC.

Learning new techniques, or "tortures" as the GIs put it, are 1st Lt. Leroy O. Bloomingdale, head of PT for aviation cadets; S/Sgt. Virgil "Bud" Gardner, who instructs enlisted men; and Cpl. Elmer Henderson, PT instructor for Squadron F.

AAFBS. It was announced by 1st Lt. Frank Spindler. As soon as hay is obtained, archery sets will be installed in the south area. Paddle tennis is another sport which will be made available to enlisted men taking the light PT program.

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Service More Than A Slogan For TES

While Texas Electric Service naturally majors in service to its customers, the company also encourages its personnel to give service to community enterprises.

For years, Carl S. Blomshield, district manager at Big Spring, has majored in service to boys through his connections with the local district and the Buffalo Trail Council Boy Scout work. He served as district camping chairman, then several years as district chairman. Since then the council has retained him as camping chairman—a post he has held for about a decade.

Under Blomshield camping has become a major item in the local and council scout program, for he is a firm believer in emphasizing the "out" in "scouting." Last year all records were broken in the council and this year the chairman expects new records to be set.

He has been instrumental in planning camps near Weed, N. M., at the Philtrum scout ranch in the Cimarron canyon of Northern New Mexico, Balmorhea and Indian Springs, in the Davis mountains, Lake Sweetwater, Big Spring, on the Concho, Barksdale in the Nueces canyon, and many others.

In January the council honored him with its highest award, the Silver Beaver, and local scouts were enthusiastic in saying none



C. S. BLOMSHIELD

had done more to earn it.

His boasting of scouting won firm support at home, for his and Mrs. Blomshield's two sons, John and Harry, both became Eagle scouts. Today they are in service, one in the Pacific, the other in Germany.

ODESSA MAN KILLED

ANDREWS, April 9 (AP)—An oil well explosion in the Fullerton field northwest of here Saturday night caused the death of E. H. Tyler, 38, Odessa, and serious burns to three other men.



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Martin-Howard Soil Conservation District News

Occurrence of poisonous bitterweed in Howard county is causing considerable comment this year. Walter Anderson, district cooperator who operates a ranch in the Luther community said "bitterweed is spreading rapidly and we must do something about controlling it now."

The weed is an annual plant, has a yellow flower and needle-like leaves. Bare areas caused by overgrazing or excessive trampling are favorable sites for bitterweed to occur. Maintaining a good cover of desirable grasses is the best known method of controlling the spread of bitterweed. Hand pulling the weed before it seeds has been successful, although it may be an expensive method, according to Anderson.

Ed Martin, district cooperator who farms and ranches in the Morgan community, constructed a stock pond on his place this week. T. R. Morris, engineer of the Soil Conservation Service office in Big Spring, located the site and designed the pond.

A complete system of level broad uniform terraces has been completed on the O. L. Parrish farm located in the Gay Hill community. A. L. Williams operates the farm. The SCS designed the system.

O. E. Hamlin, rancher in the Vealmoor community, seeded a small grain crop in one of his fields in 1943, obtaining some livestock grazing in the winter of 1943-44. Allowing the grain to seed, he obtained a good volunteer crop for the past winter, and prospects are good for another volunteer crop next year.

Albert Keune, Vealmoor farmer, recently developed a soil and water conservation plan on his

stock farm in cooperation with the district. Among other things, he plans to build up a year's reserve of feed for emergencies.

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Editorial -

Leave Farmer Gas Alone

Moves to tax farm tractor gasoline four cents a gallon have once more been rebuffed, for the time being at least, in the house of representatives. In all likelihood, the proposal will die in committee.

We do not say that this gasoline should not be taxed, but we have not yet been convinced that it should. For years and years this has been considered a legitimate exemption, so why look to it now? The reason is plain. Not so many years ago tractor power on the farm was the exception rather than the rule. Today the bulk of farming is done with tractors. A very few years ago tractor consumption of gasoline was only a small fraction of the total; today, with tractors more numerous and normal driving sharply curtailed, the percentage of tractor consumed gasoline has increased sharply.

It adds up to the fact that it looks like an appetizing source of new revenue. The proposed measure would turn the funds into the general road building fund, one-eight set aside for lateral roads. Why not all to rural roads? The truth, this would be the means of setting up a diversionary trend, and before long this tax money would be used in a number of ways.

As we view it, gasoline used by tractors in traveling or pulling loads over public roads is a legitimate target for road taxes. That consumed without making use of the highways is not now a legitimate source of revenue for roads. Why not fight to wean off those agencies which have bored into road funds rather than making road funds go to far fetched sources. The time may come when combination vehicles will supplant the tractor—vehicles which can plow in the field and then tie on to a trailer for a quick trip to town. Then the matter of road taxation will be a fit subject for debate. Let's lay off the farmer's tractor gasoline until then.

Check Your Drivers License

The state department of public safety estimates that there are approximately 250,000 persons driving motor vehicles in Texas who do not have valid operators' licenses. Director Homer Garrison hastens to add that this isn't a deliberate violation of the law; rather the result of drivers failing to observe the expiration dates of their licenses.

Obtaining a current license won't make one a better driver, but it will give the state a closer check on drivers. One thing about it, if your license has expired, you must stand an examination to get another. While it may be bothersome to you, think that it may be the means of weeding out some incompetent and dangerous drivers. It all adds up to

Ernie Pyle Reports—

How The Okinawa Invasion Went Off

By ERNIE PYLE
OKINAWA (By Navy Radio)—Now that we are ashore in full force upon the Japanese island of Okinawa I would like to go back and tell you in detail how the invasion went off.

As our regimental commander said the night before the landing: "All I'm worried about is getting past the first two days when we are on our own and will have to improvise to meet every situation. But after that we will be established and from then on we can just go by the book."

The first two days are over—accomplished with an ease that had everybody flabbergasted. By evening of the first day we had done much more than the most optimistic planner figured we could in the first three days. So from now on it's "by the book."

For some reason which I haven't fathomed yet the conventional name of D-day was changed for this invasion to "Love Day." Possibly it was because we were landing on Easter Sunday and somebody felt the spirit of brotherly love.

At any rate when dawn came on Love Day and the pink, rising sun lifted the shroud of Oriental darkness around us, we were absolutely appalled.

For all our main convoys had converged and there they lay around us in one gigantic fleet, stretching for miles. There were around 1,500 ships and thousands of small landing craft which the ships had carried with them.

There weren't as many small ships as at Normandy, but in naval power and actual force of men and fighting strength it was equally as big as the invasion of Europe. We certainly didn't go to Okinawa in any half-hearted manner.

We had ham and eggs for breakfast

fast at 4:30 a. m. We strapped our unwieldy packs on our backs. Our heavier gear was left aboard to be taken ashore several days later. It was only half light when we went on deck. You could see flame flashes on the horizon toward shore. The men on the deck were dark and indistinguishable forms.

Our landing transport carried many assault craft (LCP's) on deck. They were lifted by a derrick and swung over the side. We piled into them as they hung even with the rail. Then the winch lowered them into the water.

I went on the first boat to leave our ship. It was just breaking dawn when we left. It was still more than two hours before H-Hour. Our long ocean trip was over. The days we had reluctantly counted off were all gone. Our time had run out. This was it.

All around us hundreds of other boats were putting off and churning the water, but there was no organization to it. They weren't yet forming into waves. These early boats carried mainly the control crews who would manage the colossal traffic of shore-bound invasionists in the next few hours.

We chugged shoreward for more than an hour, for we had stopped far offshore. Our destination was a small control ship lying about two miles from the beach. Scores of these little control craft were forming a line the entire length of our long beachhead, about a quarter of a mile apart. They were the traffic policemen of our invasion.

They all looked alike, and we had to find ours by number. In all the welter of miles of ocean traffic, it was easy to get lost and we did. We were half an hour finding our control boat after getting there.

The community attitude is hostile, but Miss Moffat gradually wins favor. The symbol of the school's success becomes a young miner with a talent for writing. Miss Moffat will allow nothing to interfere with his winning a scholarship to Oxford. When he becomes involved with a girl-like girl, the school mistress bribes her and adopts her illegitimate child.

The picture is given a large-scale production, perhaps too large. While lacking the force of "How Green Was My Valley," it is a well-told story, expertly done. The flashes of Welsh humor are especially good.

Most of the cast are new to movie goers—refreshingly so. The picture introduces John Dall, formerly of the New York and Chicago stage, and Joan Loring, both potential stars.

The War Today

by Dewitt Mackenzie
Associated Press War Analyst

The Allied offensive out of the Rhineland continues its eastward sweep of encirclements and annihilation across the reich without encountering signs of German opposition sufficiently well organized to halt it.

Here and there the Nazis are fighting fanatically, but these islands of resistance lack the cohesion to make them more than locally effective. Field Marshal Kesselring is having a hard time squeezing juice out of the lemon his Fuehrer handed him. Kesselring is desperately short of both troops and materiel.

The best the German commander can make out of the situation in any event is to delay slightly the final collapse of a Nazidom which today is said by the official German news agency to be calling up 10-year-old boys and girls for the Hitler youth service to help meet the manpower difficulties. Kesselring's hope (if any) in this direction must be pinned to two possibilities. One is that the Allied drive shortly will have to slow down somewhat because of its rapidly extending supply lines—and that isn't unlikely. The other is that he can make some sort of stand along the Elbe river.

You will note from your maps that the Elbe is the next natural barrier between General Eisenhower's racing troops and a junction with the Russian front along the Oder river. It also is the final important line of defense west of Berlin—about 50 miles from the capital. American and British forces have driven within sight of the big north German cities of Bremen and Hannover and have sent tank columns crashing even farther eastward towards the Elbe. These spearheads were perhaps seventy miles from the river, and it's anybody's guess where they will be when this article appears in print.

safety. Thus, look at your license—whether it is commercial or operators—and see if it is in force. If not, apply to the highway patrol at the old city hall building for a valid one.

The Timid Soul



Hal Boyle: One Of The Biggest Mopping Up Jobs Of War Just Begun

By WADE WERNER
(Substituting For Hal Boyle)
IN GERMANY (AP)—One of the biggest mopping up jobs of this war scarcely has begun.

It's the job of removing outmoded German signs, slogans, warnings, directions and admonitions from the walls of buildings in Europe.

One public building still is richly adorned with inspirational excerpts from Hitler's speeches—this in the midst of liberated France. Scores of buildings once occupied by American soldiers retain signs directing where the luftschuttkeller (air raid shelter) may be found in case of fliegergefahr (air alarm).

In the middle of France there's a hospital formerly used by the Wehrmacht still equipped with the smoking signs, even elevator shaft markings in German. The payoff in this hospital, however, is a ticket which was issued to a patient, if able to walk, entitling him to a seat in the hospital movie.

The ticket bears this notation: "Unbenuetzte karten zurueckgeben" (return unused tickets). Inside Germany, of course, it seems natural to find signs in the German language. But many of them strike a fantastically discordant note. For example, the first thing a conquered German sees when he enters military government headquarters in a certain occupied town to submit an humble petition to American authority is a bold Nazi slogan, "better death than slavery!"

It soon becomes evident however, that both Germans and Americans are indifferent to such appeals. Apparently nobody believes propaganda anymore. Or maybe the stark facts of death, destruction and defeat speak louder than anything man can paint on a wall in any language.

Washington—The Philippine Trade For Freedom

(First of Two Articles on Philippine Independence)
By JACK STINNETT
WASHINGTON—Paul C. McNutt, former U. S. High Commissioner to the Philippines, wasn't talking just to make himself heard when he warned the leaders of the islands not to press for independence now.

McNutt based his warning on the fact that if the Filipinos defer the question of independence, they are more likely to get "a sympathetic reaction from Congress on rehabilitation measures." There's much more to it than that, no matter how true it is. McNutt believed, as many students of the Philippines and some Filipino leaders believe, that if independence is granted now or even July 4, 1946, the latest date set by law, the Commonwealth may step off into a permanent economic sink-hole.

Let's go back to 1934, when the Tydings-McDuffie Philippine Independence Act was passed. Enjoying a long period of free trade with the United States, the Philippines had emerged with a higher standard of living than any of the natives in the South Pacific. New industries such as mining (mainly gold, copper and some iron) were getting off to a good start. The old industries—sugar, copra, coconut oil, and hemp—were flourishing. Moreover, the Filipinos were enjoying a measure of self-government probably greater than any other dependent nation's.

The clamor for independence was nothing new. The disposition of the United States, which had fought its own war for independence 160 years before, was to grant it.

According to those who debated the issue a decade ago, there was no selfishness in the opposition to Philippine independence. There was only the fear that cutting the ties with this orphan commonwealth—which had come into the family after the Spanish-American war—would be throwing it to the wolves of economic and military exploitation.

Possibilities of war in the Pacific or even in Europe seemed remote in those days. Congress voted Philippine independence and gave the Commonwealth time to put its economic and military house in order.

The far-looking economists got

the slightest use of them. We could not have used them because there was no way to get to them with the gasoline, the bombs, and all the heavy ground equipment that an air force must have.

What had above all to be prevented was that the Japanese would seize the "bases" while the Soviets were so busy with Hitler that they could not defend them, and while we were so far away that we could not use them. This can all be said now because Stalin would not have denounced the neutrality pact unless he felt reasonably certain that he is now strong enough, that the American forces at Iwo Jima and Okinawa are now near enough to deal with, and that the Japanese are now too weak to undertake a preventive war against the Soviets.

The management of this whole affair by Churchill, Stalin, and Roosevelt is as fine an example of military-diplomatic strategy in global war as one could imagine. They have succeeded in dividing our enemies and in driving them to fight separate wars while they gathered and advanced their own forces, with well-nigh perfect timing, for a unified conclusion to the whole war. In Europe the junction of Eisenhower's armies with the Red Army and, let us not forget, with Alexander's, is imminent and will destroy the possibility of a prolonged organized German resistance. In Asia the stage is set for another junction which will make it impossible for Japan to make a successful stand either in her islands or on the Asiatic mainland.

Here is the real accomplishment of the conferences at Casablanca, Quebec, Moscow, Cairo, Tehran, and Yalta: the forging of a concerted strategy in war and for the period of pacification which we must pass through before the nations can hope to enjoy a settled and ordered peace. There has been some misunderstanding, friction, and compromise. But there is probably no example in history of a coalition managed so successfully on so vast a scale and where there were so many complex and incalculable elements. Here rests the best hope of mankind that we may be able to manage a co-operative peace.

We shall advance that hope if in this country we explode the myth that the President and his responsible lieutenants have been amiable weaklings, suckers and Santa Clauses, in the hands of the stern shrewd realists, Churchill and Stalin. For cool, objective realism about what really matters most, the President has been quite

event of "independence now"? (Tomorrow: Free Philippines and Rehabilitation.)

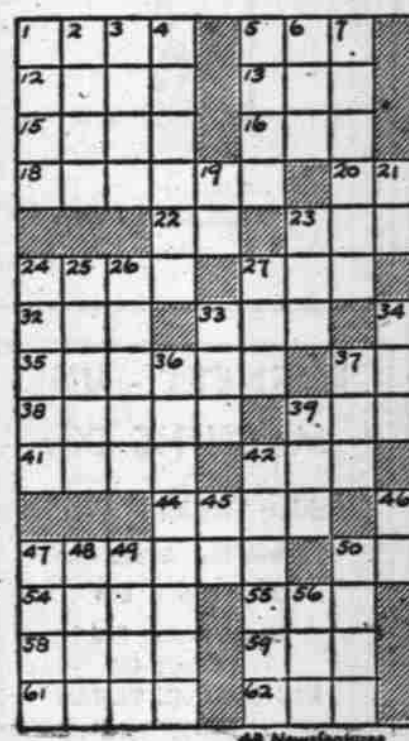
But what of the Philippines today—just a little more than a year before independence is due? The government has perhaps enough money and credits in the United States to survive for nine months to a year. On what can federal taxes be levied to carry it through the immediate years to come?

Even if its agricultural economy could be put back on its feet this year (observers assure me it can't be, for lack of manpower if for no other reason) where would the shipping come from to take it to market until the Pacific is at peace again? Many of the central islands and their queen cities have been war-ravaged. Manila is in ruins. The mines of the islands have been flooded and their machinery destroyed.

Many observers have agreed that the Philippines have been set back ten to 20 years. If that's true, what is going to happen on Philippine Independence day, July 4, 1946—or what will happen in the

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS
1. God of love
2. Not many
3. Clamor
4. Iron corrosion
5. Shallow
6. Pagan god
7. Chief actor
8. Conjunction
9. Scent
10. Medical skills
11. Crowd
12. Depart secretly
13. Italian river
14. Form of letter
15. Domestic animals
16. Help
17. Tube
18. New
19. Finish
20. Deserve
21. Famous New York street
22. Dawn
23. See- of action
24. Fruit
25. East Indian
26. Weight
27. Shortening
28. And not
29. Finest
30. A scent
31. Exclamation
32. Vegetable
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Today And Tomorrow—

President As Strategist

By WALTER LIPPMANN

In the highest quarters, the White House, State Department, and the chiefs of staff, a principal anxiety has long been that the Soviet Union would be drawn into the Pacific War prematurely. Two weeks after Hitler attacked Russia and five months before Pearl Harbor (July 6, 1941) Ambassador Grew delivered a statement to Prince Konoye asking for "an assurance" that "the reports of Japan's decision to enter upon hostilities against the Soviet Union are not based upon fact."

The President, who has proved himself to be a remarkable strategist, saw then that if Japan struck at Russia in Siberia while Hitler was striking in Europe, it was more than probable that Russia would be knocked out of the war. Had that happened, the task of liberating Europe and of ejecting Japan from China and the mainland of Asia would have required forces greater than Britain and the United States could hope to raise. In fact, if Germany and Japan had succeeded in making a junction across a prostrate Russia, it is hard to see how they could ever have been defeated decisively.

Fortunately, the Japanese laid their plans on the mistaken assumption that Hitler would take Moscow, and thus paralyze the Soviet power, a few days after they attacked Pearl Harbor, and paralyzed our capacity to take the offensive.

But even after that lucky break the dominating consideration has continued to be how to keep the Germans and Japanese from fighting a combined war, and to gain time until Russia, Britain, and the United States were prepared to support one another both in Europe and in the Far East.

In the days when we were fighting with relatively weak forces way down around Guadalcanal, and the Soviets were fighting for their lives around Stalingrad, and the British were in dire peril at the gates of Cairo and Suez Canal, it would have been a disaster, not an advantage as some over here imagined, if in one way or another the much talked about Russian "bases" in Siberia had become involved in the war.

For not at that time, and indeed at no time until now, was it certain that the Soviets could defend those bases; it was absolutely certain that we could not make

the slightest use of them. We could not have used them because there was no way to get to them with the gasoline, the bombs, and all the heavy ground equipment that an air force must have.

What had above all to be prevented was that the Japanese would seize the "bases" while the Soviets were so busy with Hitler that they could not defend them, and while we were so far away that we could not use them. This can all be said now because Stalin would not have denounced the neutrality pact unless he felt reasonably certain that he is now strong enough, that the American forces at Iwo Jima and Okinawa are now near enough to deal with, and that the Japanese are now too weak to undertake a preventive war against the Soviets.

The management of this whole affair by Churchill, Stalin, and Roosevelt is as fine an example of military-diplomatic strategy in global war as one could imagine. They have succeeded in dividing our enemies and in driving them to fight separate wars while they gathered and advanced their own forces, with well-nigh perfect timing, for a unified conclusion to the whole war. In Europe the junction of Eisenhower's armies with the Red Army and, let us not forget, with Alexander's, is imminent and will destroy the possibility of a prolonged organized German resistance. In Asia the stage is set for another junction which will make it impossible for Japan to make a successful stand either in her islands or on the Asiatic mainland.

Here is the real accomplishment of the conferences at Casablanca, Quebec, Moscow, Cairo, Tehran, and Yalta: the forging of a concerted strategy in war and for the period of pacification which we must pass through before the nations can hope to enjoy a settled and ordered peace. There has been some misunderstanding, friction, and compromise. But there is probably no example in history of a coalition managed so successfully on so vast a scale and where there were so many complex and incalculable elements. Here rests the best hope of mankind that we may be able to manage a co-operative peace.

We shall advance that hope if in this country we explode the myth that the President and his responsible lieutenants have been amiable weaklings, suckers and Santa Clauses, in the hands of the stern shrewd realists, Churchill and Stalin. For cool, objective realism about what really matters most, the President has been quite

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If we do not recognize that he is a great war President, history will. But we need to recognize it now, not for his sake perhaps, though it would be glorious, not in order to condone complacently his failings and the exasperating errors that occur so continually in his administration of the government, but for our own sakes in the trying days to come. We have power. We have wealth. We have glory and honor and prestige. But we can squander them again as we did after 1918 if we do not have the self-confidence that gives to a nation steadfastness and resolution. For that we have to believe, and are entitled to believe, that we too can find statesmen who are equal to the times in which we live.

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The case for Texas' postwar development in the field of chemurgic and industrial research, with the objective of stimulating new businesses and opening up more jobs for returning servicemen, soon will be laid before the 49th legislature.

George Moffett, Chillicothe, has prepared a resolution which would enlarge the work of the present Texas Cotton Research committee, plus giving it the task of launch-

ing and conducting chemurgic and industrial study not only for cotton, but for grains, wools, clays, forest products, mineral and pasture grasses as well.

The proposal maintains the cotton research committee, set up in 1941 and composed of the University, Texas A. & M. and Texas Tech presidents, only under the new resolution it would become the Chemurgic Industrial Research Committee of Texas to coordinate the program of research.

Combat on the western front made necessary the replacement of 5,000 tire on American vehicles daily, Army statistics reveal.

Officer Arrivals
At Post Listed

New officer arrivals include the following: Capt. James F. O'Neill, Philadelphia, Pa.; James G. Turnage, Jr., Grenada, Miss.; George C. Cunningham, Anchorage, Ky.; 1st Lt. Adam E. Santora, Detroit, Mich.; Donald W. Bollard, Ft. Dodge, Ia.; David C. Jelinek, Milwaukee, Wis.; Jaul J. Smith, Mt. Holly, N. C.; Robert P. Grant, Indianapolis, Ind.; Humphrey J. Elliott, Jr., Richmond, Va.; Daniel Sosa, Jr., Las Cruces, N. M.; Robert E. Bachman, Milwaukee, Wis.; Charles B. Weeks, Warsaw, N. Y.; Everett J. Whitfield, Niles, Mich.; 2nd Lt. Paul W. Beam, Evinston, Va.; Flight Officer Richard M. Garver, Decatur, Ill.

Capt. W. A. Hoffman, Cameron, Tex.; Charles H. Shrader, Jr., Italy, Tex.; C. H. McConnell, Mangham, La.; James W. Stubblefield, San Antonio, Tex.; Carl E. Doll, Warren, O.; 1st Lt. Boyd P. Davidson, Lawrenceburg, Tenn.; Robert G. Ogilvie, Bellevue, Mich.; John L. Erbes, Radcliffe, Ia.; Virgil K. Boyum, Madison, Wis.; Vincent A. Moore, Des Moines, Ia.; Stanley A. Nigg, Covina, Calif.; Harold E. Johnson, Sacramento, Calif.; William M. Higgins, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Edward H. Fehrenkamp, Moulton, Tex.; Ralph F. Cheplak, Jr., West Allis, Wis.; Chester Rothberg, Brooklyn, N. Y.; William B. Knight, Jr., West Union, W. Va.; R. M. Bauler, Aurora, Ill.; Daniel F. Herron, Anderson, Ind.; Leonard A. Daniel, Turnersville, Tex.; Stephen B. Homza, Pittsburgh, Pa.; John F. Brownell, Wichita, Kas.; James L. Wilson, Madison, Wis.; Saul Solfer, Larchmont, N. Y.; Charles M. Heist, West Reading, Pa.; Edwin A. Loffswold, Jr., Sioux City, Ia.

Capt. Walter E. Stueck, Richmond Heights, Mo.; 1st Lt. Eugene W. Nykiel, Chicago, Ill.; Marvin L. Spruill, Memphis, Tenn.; James P. Brewton, Houston, Tex.; Paul L. Anderson, Long Prairie, Minn.; Harry T. Hughes, Fort Worth, Tex.; Victor J. Molnar, Youngstown, O.; Luster H. Prewitt, Malaga, N. M.; J. D. Zamorski, Buffalo, N. Y.; Raymond P. Quinn, Highland Park, Mich.; Floyd A. Hendershot, Harrisburg, Pa.; J. B. McNamara, Mt. Sterling, Ky.; William A. McBride, Covington, Tenn.; Vincent P. Caponi, Detroit, Mich.; John D. Evans, Salt Lake City, Utah; Hal V. Stenckling, Indianapolis, Ind.; Edward T. Landman, Isanti, Minn.; Martin E. Gormley, Jr., New Haven, Conn.; Donald L. Allen, Melrose Park, Ill.; Frederick T. Oberman, West Hempstead, N. Y.; William K. Walling, E. Chicago, Ind.; Stanley A. Meraki, Hartford, Conn.; Roger E. Cuddeback, Burlington, Ia.; 2nd Lt. Ernest Novatny, White River, S. D.; Joseph F. Ryner, Jr., Glendale, Calif.; Chester W. Drake, Detroit, Mich.; Kenneth P. Martin, Petaluma, Calif.

Howard

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curity Co., which offered one and one-quarter per cent and a \$753 premium, which would have made a total net interest cost to the county of \$9,739.50 Texas Bank & Trust Co., Dallas, offered \$404 premium with one and a quarter per cent interest, a net cost of \$9,908.50. Fourth bidder, which incidentally posted the only offer above one and a quarter per cent, was R. V. Christie & Co., Houston. To counteract an offer of one and three-eighths per cent, the company offered \$240 premium for a net cost of \$11,103.75.

Among bidders were the First National and State National banks in Big Spring, which joined for a one and a quarter per cent bid plus \$101 premium.

County commissioners were not only gratified by the record interest rate on the road bonds, but also by the fact that only one was higher than one and a quarter and it was for one of three eighths.

Proceeds from the sale will go toward financing right-of-way purchases for such highways and roads designated by the state highway department and for lateral road building.

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MANY THANKS

While I fell short in my bid as school trustee Saturday, I am deeply grateful for every vote I received. The majority has spoken; let all of us now cooperate and counsel with the board to show our willingness to help in maintaining and advancing our school program.

Radio Program

Tuesday Morning
6:30 Musical Clock.
7:00 Martin Agronsky.
7:15 Bandwagon.
7:30 News.
7:45 Between the Lines.
8:00 News Summary.
8:05 Breakfast Club.
9:00 My True Story.
9:25 Aunt Jemima.
9:30 Yours Alone.
9:45 Songs by Bing Crosby.
10:00 Breakfast in Hollywood.
10:30 Gil Martyn-News.
10:45 Radio Bible Class.
11:00 Glamour Manor.
11:30 Amos R. Wood.
Farm & Homemakers.
Tuesday Afternoon
Luncheon Dance Varieties.
12:00 News.
12:30 Homer Rodeheaver.
1:00 Ethel & Albert.
1:15 Ethel & Albert.
1:30 Sunny Side of the Street.
1:45 Correspondents Home and Abroad.
2:00 Morton Downey.
2:15 True Detective Mysteries.
2:30 The Listening Post.
2:45 Gems of Melody.
3:00 Views of the News.
3:15 The Johnson Family.
3:30 Reports From Paris.
3:45 The Handy Man.
4:00 Bandwagon.
4:15 Dick Tracy.
4:30 Lyrics & Music.
4:45 Hop Harrigan.
Tuesday Evening
5:00 Terry & the Pirates.
5:15 TSN News.
5:30 Tom Mix.
5:45 Music for Swing.
6:00 Fulton Lewis, Jr.
6:15 Raymond Gram Swing.
6:30 Evening Melodies.
6:45 Community Soapbox.
7:00 Frank Singiser & the News.
7:15 Sports Cast.
7:30 Khaki Music Hall.
8:00 Gabriel Heatter.
8:15 Real Stories From Real Life.
8:30 American Forum of the Air.
9:15 War News Analyst.
9:30 One Man's Family.
10:00 Radio Newsreel.
10:15 Report From Washington.
10:30 Sign Off.

Weather Forecast
Dept. of Commerce Weather Bureau

BIG SPRING AND VICINITY: Fair this afternoon, tonight and Tuesday. Not much change in temperature. Fresh to strong winds.
WEST TEXAS: Partly cloudy and continued warm this afternoon and tonight. Tuesday partly cloudy, not quite so warm in El Paso area, the Panhandle and South plains. Fresh to strong winds.
EAST TEXAS: Considerable cloudiness and continued warm this afternoon, tonight and Tuesday; light scattered showers Tuesday and in west portion tonight. Fresh winds over north portion.

City	Max.	Min.
Abilene	79	62
Amarillo	83	50
BIG SPRING	87	60
Chicago	74	50
Denver	54	34
El Paso	82	53
Fort Worth	72	62
Galveston	74	68
New York	43	43
St. Louis	75	54
Sunset Monday, 8:11 p. m.; sunrise Tuesday, 7:23 a. m.		

Scout Leaders Back
For Camp Site Tour

A committee of scout leaders and executives returned Saturday from a tour of possible sites for selection of a permanent Boy Scout camp. No definite decision was reached.

The committee was headed by Carl Blomfield, chairman of the camping and activities committee for the district, and others in the party were A. V. Karcher, vice-chairman of the Big Spring district, Nat Shick, organizational extension chairman of the Big Spring district, Lyle Defflebach of Snyder, Joe Edwards of Odessa, Harold Scott of Pecos. All field executives of the council were present including P. V. Thorson, council executive.

Livestock

FORT WORTH, April 9 (AP)—Cattle 2200; calves 700; active, fairly steady; good and choice fed steers and yearlings 14.25 - 16.25; common to medium 10.00 - 14.00; beef cows 9.25 - 12.00; good and choice fat calves 13.25 - 14.25; common to medium fat calves 9.50 - 13.00; stocker and feeder calves in light supply but nominally steady. Hogs 12.00; good and choice 17.50 - 18.00; good and choice lightweights 14.00 - 15.00; sows mostly 13.80; stocker pigs too scarce to establish selling price. Sheep 7.50; opened slow; some bidding lower on shorn lambs; ewes steady; no. 2 and no. 3 pelts 7.00 - 5.00.

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Arrangements Made
For Scout Round Up

Arrangements for the Boy Scout Round Up were completed when the scoutmasters and commissioners met last week.

It was provided that all scouts who are to participate in the meet will be excused from their classes, but the scoutmasters will turn in the names of these boys who will be present and their names will be checked and returned to their respective schools.

Scoutmasters were urged to encourage their boys to work for the Eisenhower paper award which will be presented to each boy collecting 1,000 pounds of scrap paper or more. To each troop having 100 per cent participation, there will be a special prize of a bomb case autographed by General Eisenhower.

As a part of the work for victory which scouts will be urged to do will be victory gardens, possible this year with increased water supplies.

Leaders decided that a list of merit badge counselors and first and second class counselors be suggested from each troop from which a committee will be chosen. The boys will in that way know to whom they may apply for advancement.

Leaders decided that Scouts should submit Indian names for the Big Spring district of the Buffalo Trail council, from which a committee will make a selection. George Melear called a meeting of commissioners and troop committee chairmen for April 20 at 8 p. m. in the basement of the First Methodist church.

Present were Elra Phillips, Lt. William Stone, Cecil Nabors, George Melear, W. D. Berry, Arthur Leonard, Arnold Seydler, Sgt. Stanley Perloff, W. D. Willbanks, Sgt. George Miller, and D. M. McKinney.

Political Debate
Flares In England

LONDON, April 9 (AP)—A rugged political debate developed today, with two members of the cabinet at odds over the state of Britain's 1939 preparedness for war, and the treatment of postwar industry.

Brendan Bracken, conservative minister of information, replied vigorously to weekend speeches by Ernest Bevin, laborite minister of labor, and said the labor party's postwar program would mean a "sort of totalitarian state."

Bracken also assailed attempts to blame the conservative party for pre-war unpreparedness.

"Mr. Bevin denounced the conservatives for not warning the country that it was heading for war," Bracken told a luncheon of Holborn conservatives. "They erred in good company. In March, 1939, Mr. Bevin wrote: The nation is organizing for a war that may never take place." Lack of vision is no monopoly of conservatives.

"If Mr. Churchill had been listened to, this country might have been saved from much misery and destruction."

H. H. Byrd Dies At
Home In Abilene

ABILENE, April 9 (AP)—Henry Harrison Byrd, 67, former superintendent of the Gulf Oil Refinery at Sweetwater, died here yesterday. Byrd was born in Indian territory and developed some of Oklahoma's earliest oil fields.

Survivors include his widow and six children, Miss Elaine Byrd of Bartlesville, Okla., Mrs. Clarice Hendrick of Amarillo, Mrs. Joe Dan Scott of Plainview, Miss Edna Byrd of Abilene, W. E. Byrd of Amarillo, and Henry M. Byrd of Abilene.

Public Records

Building Permits
Z. M. Norman, to renew roof, floors and make general repairs at house at 1103 W. 5th street, cost \$500.
E. H. Heffington, to stucco 12x28 foot building at tourist camp at 1600 W. 3rd street, cost \$100.
O. B. Switzer, to build 10 x 24 foot frame addition to present house on Gail road, cost \$200.
O. B. Switzer, to demolish 22 x 24 foot frame house at 1102 W. 5th street, cost \$150.

SCOUT CONTESTS MONDAY

The Boy Scout first aid contests will be held Monday night at 8 p. m. at the high school gym. The contest will be conducted by Dr. P. W. Malone, health and safety chairman for the Big Spring district.

CITY COURT BUSY

City court had a heavy docket Monday with Judge Tracy Smith hearing 24 cases accumulated over the week-end. There were 11 charged with drunkenness, four had charges of affray, three of car theft. There were two persons picked up for vagrancy and one for driving while intoxicated.



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Forsan Soldier
Wounded Severely

FORSAN, April 9—Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Adams have been informed by the war department that their son, Sgt. Darrell V. Adams, was seriously wounded in Germany on March 26, 1945.

No further details have been received. Sgt. Adams is a graduate of Forsan high school and was a student in Texas Tech in March, 1943, when he became 18 years of age. Leaving school, he volunteered and entered service April 7, 1943, training in South Carolina and later at Ft. George Meade, Md., where he was made company clerk. However, he asked for and received a transfer back into combat ranks and landed in Casablanca on March 7, 1944.

In the battle of Anzio beachhead, he was awarded the Bronze Star. His company had been halted by heavy artillery fire which inflicted 25 casualties. He left cover and went about 300 yards through intense fire to aid of a wounded comrade, gave first aid to his comrade who was wounded in the head, stomach and leg and dragged him back to cover. During the morning he voluntarily gave aid to wounded men in absence of regular aid men.

Grand Jury For 70th
Court Is Impaneled

Criminal docket of the April term of 70th district was set for April 23 Monday after Judge Cecil Collings convened the court and impaneled the grand jury.

On the grand jury, which had a seemingly light docket to consider, were T. B. Atkins, O. R. Bolinger, R. L. Cook, M. A. Cook, Ted O. Groehl, L. R. Hanson, H. G. Hill, J. P. Kenney, J. L. LeBlau, J. O. McCrary, R. R. McEwen and Robert W. Currie.

No cases have been set for the first week of court, and there may be additional settings, said Judge Collings.

Doubly Convinced

LOS ANGELES, April 9 (AP)—Navy Lt. C. A. Frank, Jr., of Dallas lost \$382 in cash in Willows, Calif., last week. While visiting his wife's parents here, he received a letter from Paul Stormer, Willows, enclosing a cashier's check for \$362. Stormer had found the money.

But Frank wasn't surprised. "I always been convinced of the honesty of the American people," says he.

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Today On The Home Front—
REGISTER YOUR NEW BABES NOW

By JAMES MARLOW
WASHINGTON, April 9 (AP)—Have you registered your own birth or that of your child? If not, do it now. The government wants you to.

This is addressed not only to parents and everyone whose birth has not been registered. It is aimed also at doctors, nurses and midwives who are responsible for filing birth certificates.

Here are reasons why births should be recorded:
A birth certificate is the most satisfactory and convenient way of proving that you are the proper age to go to school, to work, to marry, to hold office, to claim social security benefits.

It is the easiest way of proving citizenship upon application for a passport.

It is the simplest way of showing family relationship when claiming servicemen's dependency allowances.

It is of basic help in carrying out national and state programs of maternal and child health and welfare. For instance:

A year before Gen. Douglas MacArthur invaded the Philippines, his forces were fighting in New Guinea, almost 1,500 miles from those islands.

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The national and state governments set aside funds for those programs. The money is allotted in accordance with the number of births registered.

Unless all births are registered, the amount of money set aside is less than it should be. So, fewer children get the care they might.

"What a terrible blow to me!"



"Here I thought I could get me a new car practically the day after V-Day."



"What a blow! Now I find out it may be V-Day plus maybe two or three years before I can get one."



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